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PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF
OPTICALLY AND CHEMICALLY HIGHLY
PURE (R) - or (S)- α -HYDROXYCARBOXYLIC
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